



KENTUCKY

Kentucky's Family & Consumer Sciences curriculum offers six career majors to high school students enrolled in Family and Consumer Sciences programs, one of those being Early Childhood Education. Throughout this program of study, students concentrate their coursework in the following sequence of courses:

- *Life Skills*
- *Child & Human Development*
- *Child Development Services I*
- *Child Development Services II*

Through the completion of these courses, students gain knowledge of human growth and development, parenting and caregiving skills, and essential training for entry-level positions in certified day care centers, preschools, Head Start programs and private homes. Field hours of observation and teaching are obtained through on-site centers and/or community businesses and programs.

Upon the completion of this career pathway, students are eligible to receive the following industry-recognized certifications:

- *Commonwealth Child Care Credential (CCCC) Certificate of Eligibility*
- *Child Development Associate (CDA)*
- *Kentucky Early Care & Education Orientation Certificate*
- *AAFCS Pre-PAC (Pre - Professional Assessment & Certification)*
 - Early Childhood Education

Family & Consumer Sciences teachers in Kentucky are also eligible to apply for the Kentucky Early Care & Education Trainer's Credential.

2010-2011 Kentucky Enrollment Data:

Family & Consumer Sciences Education Statewide: 45,782 students
Early Childhood Education Career Major: 7,390 students